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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LAWRENCE CHRISTOPHER SMITH,

Case No. <u>20-cv-01557-HSG</u>

Plaintiff,

ORDER OF TRANSFER

RALPH DIAZ, et al.,

v.

Defendants.

Plaintiff, an inmate at Corcoran State Prison, filed this *pro se* civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 regarding events that have occurred while incarcerated at Corcoran State Prison. See generally Dkt. No. 1. Corcoran State Prison is located in Kings County, which lies within the venue of the Eastern District of California. See 28 U.S.C. § 84(b). Venue therefore properly lies in the Eastern District. See id. § 1391(b). Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that, in the interest of justice and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a), this action be TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California.

The Clerk shall transfer this matter forthwith.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 3/4/2020

United States District Judge